

# BRICKS in PIECES



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# President's Letter



**Dear Member,**

This year marks the 25th birthday of LEGO bricks in the U.K. market. So it is quite possible your mum or dad had them when they were young too.

That's hard to believe isn't it?

Of course LEGO sets were not the same in those days. There were no Space or Castle models. No Trains or Technic sets. Can you believe there were not even any wheels to start with! Basic sets only had red and white bricks—no blue, yellow or black ones. And of course no motors or figures.

So if you wanted to build a train or truck for example, you couldn't motorize it, you couldn't have a driver, it had to be red or white—and went along on square "wheels" built from bricks!

Amazing though it seems, children still loved building with LEGO bricks then just as they do now and the toy was a huge success right from the start in 1960. So some things never change, just like the basic bricks which today will still build together with 25 year old ones.

And perhaps in another 25 years your children will be building with exciting new pieces which none of us have imagined as yet—and adding them onto your own bricks which you have passed down to them.

Then you will smile quietly to yourself and remember the fun you had as a child, even without the 21st Century laser—powered electrosonic auto-robotic LEGO bricks your children will want so much!

In the meantime we hope you continue to have a lot of fun—and as you will see on a later page, there is news of some new models with electronic light and sound elements which will be available from October this year.

So perhaps those 21st century marvels are closer than we think!

*Clive Nicholls*

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## Cover Picture

Magma Robot with "Light and Sound" See back cover for details.



Amalienborg Castle.

The harbour from the Shell terminal.



Aerial view of Copenhagen Harbour and the Amalienborg Castle.

A recent addition to the LEGOLAND Park Miniland is a copy of the Copenhagen harbour area. The new model, which includes 123 buildings and 41 ships, took eight model builders 18 months to complete using nearly 3 million LEGO bricks.

The model shows the old harbour area in Copenhagen with its freight and passenger terminals, the naval harbour with the naval training ship "Danemark" and a model of the Danish Royal Yacht "Dannebrog" which is moored at Holmen near the Royal Residence. All the famous buildings, ships, and bridges have been faithfully copied in LEGO bricks but the scene was not complete, the famous Little Mermaid Statue was missing so a miniature copy of the real one was commissioned and put in place by the Mayor of Copenhagen at the opening ceremony to complete the model.



# LEGOLAND PARK—COPENHAGEN



Naval training ship *Danmark*.

Next to the harbour area is a model of the Danish Royal Residence the Amalienborg Castle. This model was first introduced to the Park in 1976 but was removed last year for repair and then repositioned in the "correct" position in relation to the harbour model.

Last year also saw the opening of the new 36 metre high viewing tower which has an outside rotary panorama elevator. From the top of the tower you can see all over the park and right across Billund to the LEGO factories. Another new attraction for the 1985 season is a monorail ride which will run near the traffic school—but more details about this in the next issue.

**CLUB TOURS TO LEGOLAND® PARK**

Club members wishing to visit the LEGOLAND Park should contact Specialised Tours for details of their coach and air tours to Denmark.  
 Ring Mrs Margaret Scowen on Copthorne (0342) 712385, or write to:  
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 RH10 3PY



# DUFFY'S DINOSAUR

by John Duffield (LEGO Model Designer)

Hello Chums,

As you can see I have been very busy for the past couple of months designing and building this huge dinosaur which you can see at the LEGO World Show in the Arndale Centre, Manchester and Debenhams in Croydon.

The model is 4m long 2m wide and stands 2.5m tall. Because of its size and weight it has been designed in 14 pieces which all fit together like a gigantic puzzle. The model has a moving head, the mouth opens and closes with realistic roars, and the eyes are flashing red lights.

I also made a small dinosaur model using my scale drawings and would like to offer 5 of these glued mini dinosaur models as prizes in a special competition. To enter you will need to design and build your own dinosaur from LEGO bricks and send me a photograph of your finished model. Send your photograph to—

The LEGO Club  
Dinosaur Competition  
Wrexham, Clwyd  
LL13 7TQ

before September 6th 1985. Remember the dinosaur can be of any breed and built in any colour you like.

I'm looking forward to seeing all your models.



**LEGO**

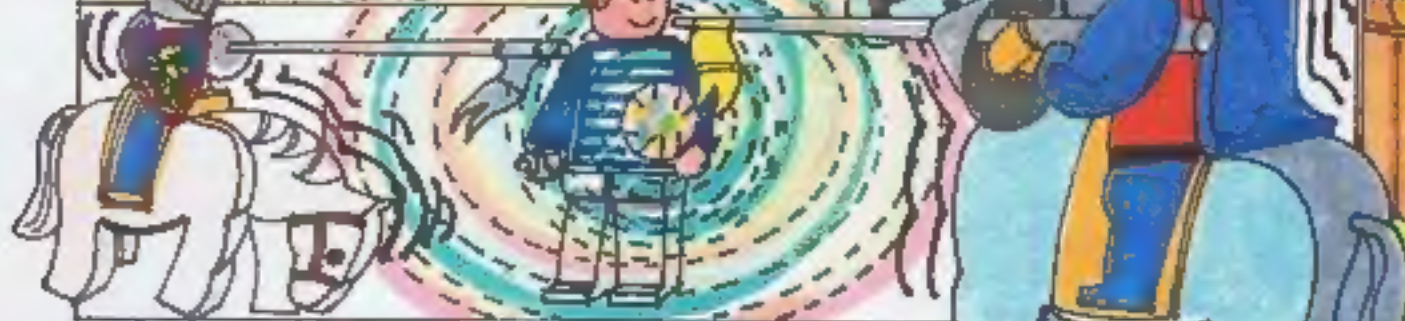
## STOP PRESS FOR NOTTINGHAM CLUB MEMBERS

Martins, the toy shop at 12 King Edward St. Shirebrook, Notts., have generously agreed to offer a 10% discount off any LEGO purchases made by Club Members who show their Club Membership card at time of purchase. This is the first toy shop to offer this service but we hope to be able to publish addresses of other parts of the country in due course.



# CAPTAIN INDIGO

WITH THE TWO KNIGHTS RUSHING TOWARDS CAPTAIN INDIGO, THE ZARCONIAN JEWEL SENDS OUT A FORCE FIELD AND STOPS THE KNIGHTS IN THEIR TRACKS.



WHO IS THIS STRANGER WHO STOPS OUR TOURNAMENT

I'M CAPTAIN INDIGO, AND I BRING NEWS OF THE WIZARD.



AS THE CAPTAIN SPOKE - THE WIZARD ATTACKED...

QUICK! HELP ME MAKE A SHELTER - BEFORE THE NEXT OF ARROWS FALL



AS THE ARROWS BOUNCE OFF THE SHELTER



MEANWHILE POLKA DOT HAS AN IDEA!



COME ON BLACKSMITH CHARGE

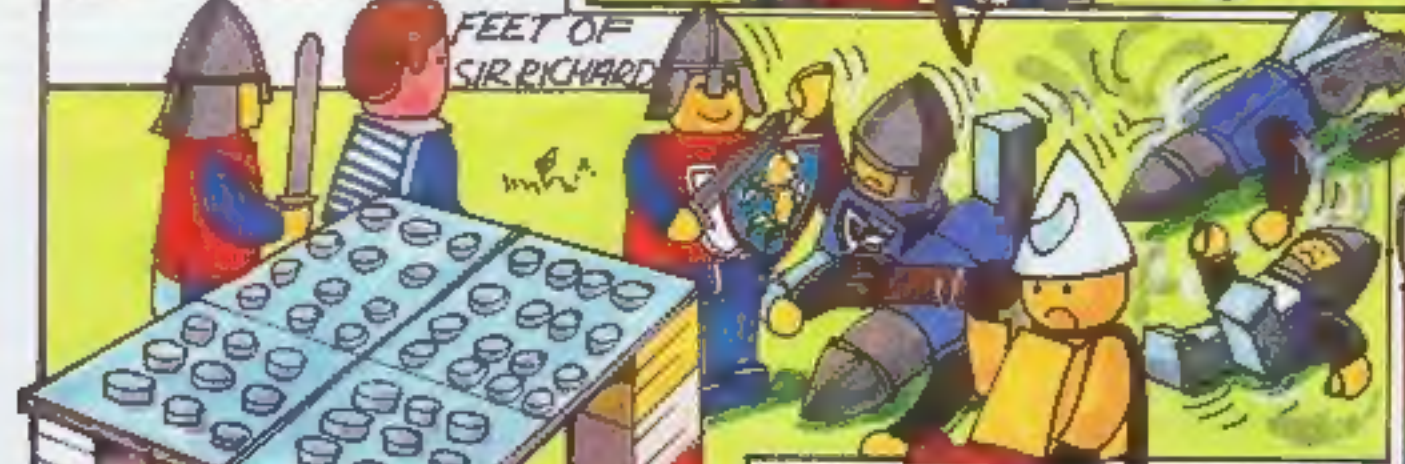


...CAPTAIN INDIGO TELLS SIR RICHARD ABOUT HIS QUEST FOR THE ZARCONIAN JEWEL.



THE WIZARD AND HIS MEN TUMBLE AT THE

FEET OF SIR RICHARD



THE CAPTAIN AND POLKA DOT SAY FAREWELL TO SIR RICHARD



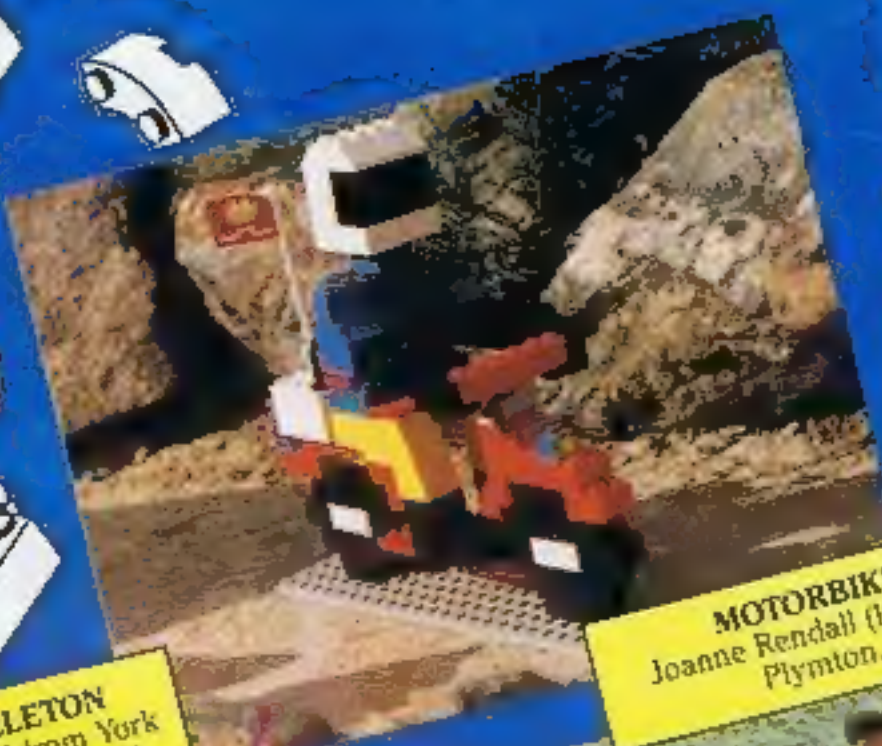
CONTROLLED BY THE JEWEL, CAPTAIN INDIGO AND POLKA DOT...



THE WIZARD AND THE BLACK KNIGHT HAVE BEEN DEFEATED.

...ARE TRANSPORTED BACK TO PLANET ZARK HOME OF THE ZARCONIAN JEWEL. THE END





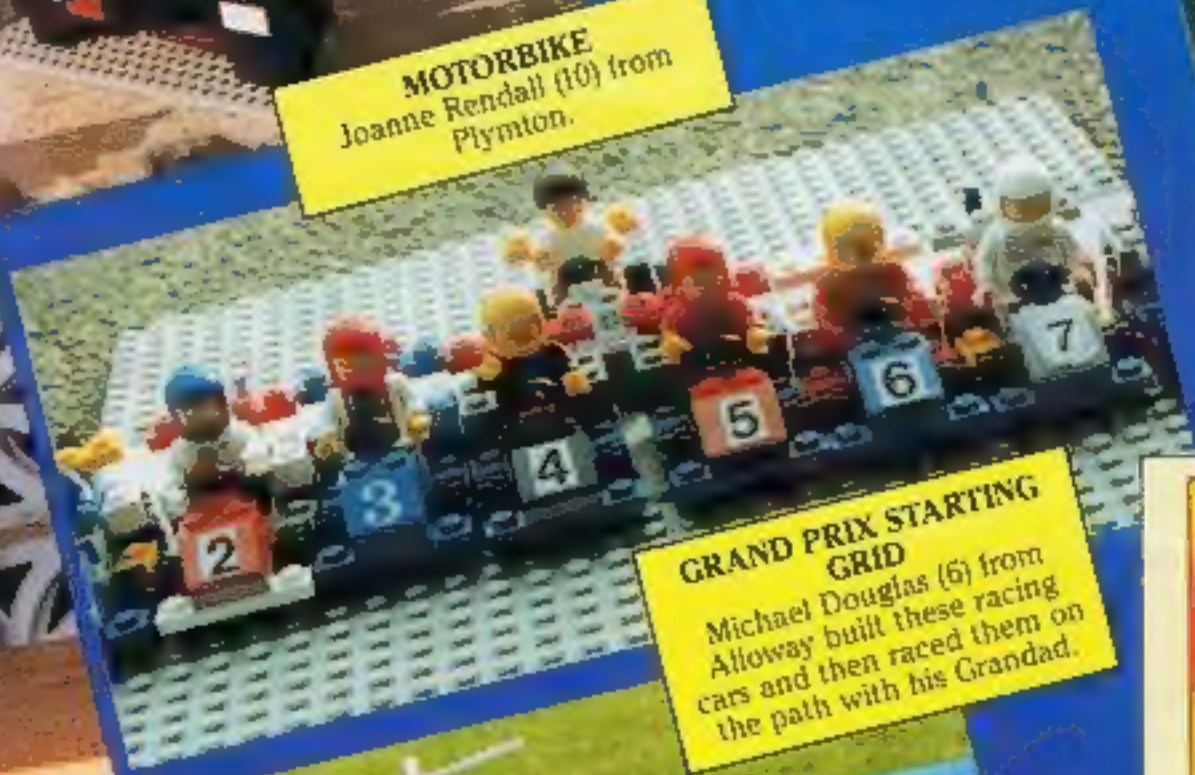
**MOTORBIKE**  
Joanne Rendall (10) from Plymton.



**RHINE BARGE**  
Philip Stickells built his typical Rhine barge after seeing one at Emmerich. The barge is stopping for fuel and to be cleared by the customs police as Emmerich is near to the Dutch border. The motorbike on the back is for the captain to use when the barge is docked.



**LEGO® SKELETON**  
Jeremy Gibbs (11) from York built this skeleton with his TECHNIC LEGO®. all the joints move so that he can be put into any position.



**GRAND PRIX STARTING GRID**  
Michael Douglas (6) from Alloway built these racing cars and then raced them on the path with his Grandad.



**OIL RIG**  
Christopher (9) and Samantha (7) Blake, built this oil rig in the school holidays. It has a working crane, helicopter, living quarters and a motor boat. You can see the boat being lowered into the sea.



**MINE LIFT**  
Brian Roberts (10) from Newport built this mine model when he was doing a project on mines in school.



**AEROPLANE**  
Neil Grant (4) from Dumbarton sent this picture of his plane, piloted by the Red Baron. Lucy Lamb and Henry Horse are passengers.

# LE Ma Bui

## AWA SUMME

A "Golden" Master Builder whose models are shown here. If model, send it in telling us why you could become a Master Builder. issued of B





**ATHLETES**  
Neil Cooley (6) from Worksop built these athletes after watching them on the TV.

**SPACE SHUTTLE AT STANSTEAD**  
Matthew McLaren (10) from Derby built his remarkably accurate model of the space shuttle and 747 transporter after seeing them at Stanstead Airport. The model took four days to build and is 1 metre long.



**ARDS**  
**R 1985**

...es to each of the members  
...u have a photograph of a special  
...d how you built it, and you too  
...our model is shown in the next  
...s'n Pieces

**GRANDFATHER CLOCK**  
Mark Smith (11) from Felpham spent a great deal of time in getting all the detail right on this model clock. It is 30cm high and has working weights.



**SLEIGH**  
Christopher Hammonds from Plymouth sent this interesting reminder of Christmas.



**FRIEND FOR BEN**  
Mark Owens (10) from Purleigh designed this model as company for his real pet parrot Ben.



**GHOST BUSTER**  
Michael Hill (9) from Roslyn built these models after seeing the film.







by an adult who buys a return fare for the full length of the railway. Open from March until November. Details ring (0679) 62353.

#### MODEL VILLAGE

Babacombe, Torquay, Devon. Club members get a 10p reduction on production of Club Membership Card. For details ring 0803 38669.

#### AMBERLEY CHALK MUSEUM

Amberley, Arundel, Sussex. Club Members can go free of charge ■ accompanied by two paying adults. For details ring (079881) 370.

#### NORTH STAFFS RAILWAY CO.

Cheddleston Station, Stafford. Club members will get free entrance when accompanied by two paying adults. Open Sunday to Friday from May to September. For details Tel. Churnit Side 360522.

#### BLAIR DRUMMOND SAFARI AND LEISURE PARK

Near Stirling. Club members can enter free of charge when accompanied by two paying adults. The park is open from April until October, 10 a.m. until 4.30 p.m. For details ring (0786) 841456.

#### FORKSHIRE DALES RAILWAY

Skipton. Club members can have half price train fares on production of their membership cards. Open from April 1985. For details ring (0756) 4727.

#### THE ISLE OF MAN

Club members who live in the Isle of Man or are going there for their holidays can visit Castle Rushden, Peel Castle and the Laxey Wheel for 10p each if they produce their membership cards. Open daily during the summer from 10 a.m. For details ring Douglas 28262.

## Bird Brain of Britain



Bird Brain of Britain Competition winners

Earlier this year the BBC Wild Track programme ran a competition to find the Bird Brain of Britain. Club Members Andrew and Stewart Hyland won this competition after being the runners-up in the 1984 competition.

The idea behind the competition was to build a bird feeding device which required the bird to "solve a problem" before getting its reward of food. Andrew and Stewart designed several tests for the birds including ■ colour roulette where the correct colour had to be pecked and another test where the birds had to turn a wheel before a peanut would drop out of the bottom. Andrew and Stewart built all their tests using their LEGO collection and were the only children in the competition to use LEGO bricks. The brothers were presented with a sculptured blue tit on a milk bottle for their designs.



## THE LEGO BRICK

The LEGO brick a leading toy  
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The toy that takes you up to space  
or medieval times at a fast  
brick builders pace.

Meet King Richard and his Queen  
see the Cybernaut machine  
Build a working LEGO railway  
while in your LEGO ship you can sail away.  
With LEGO you can make this and more  
play with LEGO its no bore.

A poem sent in by Club Member  
**MARK WESTMORELAND**  
from Cropwell Bishop Notts

## FIND THE WORD COMPETITION

A E H E G N A R N R U T A S B  
S U R C W D Q D I O R D N A E  
T Q E O I E Q L O R T N O C T  
R Z M X L M A M S J Q J D K A  
O C Y C B P S Q C I U K S Y P  
N S B J L N X O S Z N J F H A  
A R E P P O H E C A F R U S T  
U U K K A R N E V Y X R A T R  
T N O S X D A O C C M T T A O  
S C F F M F M N N A T N L R L  
R O A H Z H C Y U E P G E S P  
Y R U C R E M K L L X S D H K  
L W Y P U B R I H E J M G I G  
C V T Y O N T Y F G Y K J P U  
U D L I K E R R J O A E Z A O

SURFACEHOPPER  
SATURNRANGER  
BETAPATROL  
ASTRONAUTS  
SATELLITE  
STARSHIP  
MERCURY  
ANDROID  
EXPLORE  
CONTROL  
COSMIC  
LUNAR  
SPACE  
DELTA  
XENON  
LEGO

Sent in by Club Member  
Brian Hooper aged 11 years

This is a competition for you to try at home please do not  
send answers in.

Well done! It was such a hard decision to make  
choosing winners and runners up from all the entries  
we had. The standard was so high from all ages.  
Here are the winners and runners up:

### 7 & Under

#### 1st Prize

**IAIN DOUGLAS**

#### Runners up

Danny Clancy  
Claire Jones  
David Wooley  
Gary McGilivray  
Tabitha Barber  
Graham Roemmele  
Martin Solway  
Philip Mead  
Aled Wright  
Timothy Carter

Beverley, Humberside

Slough  
Sutton-in-Ashfield  
Crowborough  
Mintlaw  
Helsby  
Colwyn Bay  
Nailsea  
Wychbold  
Wrexham  
Watford

### 8 & 9 years

#### 1st Prize

**TIMOTHY WILKINSON**

#### Runners up

Raoul Speakman  
Roderick Pirie  
Alexander Hudson  
Simon Lake  
Adam Leitch  
Lee Higson  
Matthew Sansum  
Brian Vandeyar  
Mark Saunders  
Richard Gall

Builth Wells

Dover  
Skene  
Beckenham  
Kings Lynn  
Woodbridge  
Bolton  
Clevedon  
Croydon  
Romford  
Port Talbot

### 10 years & Over

#### 1st Prize

**ALAN GEERE**

#### Runners up

Emily Farrar  
Edward Ethelston  
Simon James Carroll  
Keith Brown  
Paul Farrant  
Jayne Martis  
Liam Quinn  
Adele Horobin  
Matthew Soley  
Russell Burnford

Luton

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Duleek  
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# CLUB SHOP

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## Club Shop Special Offer



1929  
Set of 6 LEGOLAND Castle Men at Arms (6102). Three men at arms for Sir Richard and three for the Black Knight. Available to Club members at the special price of £1.95 instead of the usual retail price of £2.75.

1930  
The new LEGO building book 200 which contains 52 pages of exciting ideas for models using your LEGOLAND Town, Castle and Space sets. Available to Club members for 75p instead of £1.05.



## JOKES

Patient: Doctor, Doctor, I feel like a bridge.

Doctor: What's come over you?

Patient: Two cars and a bus.

Richard Harrington

Q. What did the skeleton reply when the bus conductor called "fares please".  
A. Sorry I'm skint.

Andrew

Q. Did you hear about the man listening to a match?

A. He burnt his ear.

Peter John May

Q. Why did the tap run?

A. Because it saw the kitchen sink.

Dominic Bennett

Q. What wobbles as it flies?

A. A Jellycopter.

Peter Pierce

Q. Why did the orange go to the doctors?

A. Because he didn't peel too well.

Mark Brown

Q. How did the octopus go into battle?

A. Well armed.

Richard Gavey

Q. Why do elephants wear trunks?

A. Bikinis just don't flatter their figures.

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KEEP SENDING IN YOUR JOKES.



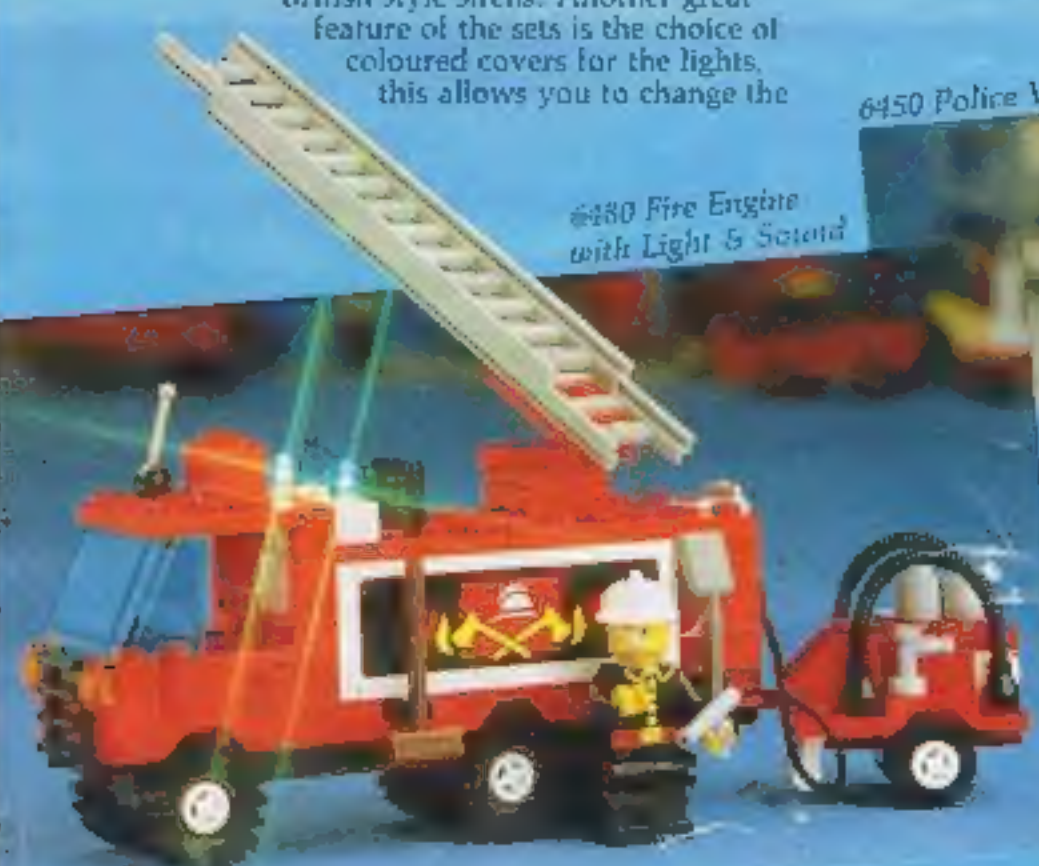
# "LIGHT AND SOUND"

Advance information for Club Members ONLY

At last here is just what you need to bring your LEGOLAND Town and Space models fully to life with flashing lights and authentic sounds. Your models can look and sound exactly like the real thing with our brand new battery operated Light and Sound system. You can bring outer space into your bedroom with the two new exciting additions to the LEGOLAND Space range. There is a new "MAGMA" star ship and also the MAGMA Robot just like the space craft seen on television. The LEGOLAND Town police car and fire engine are also brought to life with "LIGHT & SOUND". The two tone sirens allow you to choose between American or British style sirens. Another great feature of the sets is the choice of coloured covers for the lights, this allows you to change the



New Magma Starship with "Light and Sound"



6480 Fire Engine with Light & Sound



6450 Police Van with Light & Sound

colour to suit the occasion, so the models you build can now look and sound just like your local Police or Fire brigade. All four of these fantastic models are brand new for 1985 and will be in shops in early October so keep a sharp look out for their arrival as they are sure to be very popular. They will sell at around £9.95 for the Police van, £11.95 for the Fire engine, £11.95 for the MAGMA

robot and £19.95 for the MAGMA star ship. The new system needs a 9 volt battery (not included in the set) which fits in a new battery box and the connections are made through metal strips which are already in the LEGO bricks so there is no need to have any connecting leads trailing around the model. Just like all other LEGO sets the "LIGHT & SOUND" models will fit with your own LEGO collection. Break through the sound barrier with the new "LIGHT & SOUND" system.

## LEGO WORLD SHOWS

A massive moving LEGO Dinosaur, built by Duffy, is the centre piece of the LEGO World Show which you will be able to see in Manchester and Croydon later this year. Over half a million bricks have been used to build detailed displays depicting life on earth over the last ten million years. Showing mans earliest developments through to a large space station giving us a look in on the shape of life in the future. Club members from Dublin will also have the chance to see a LEGO World Show nearer Christmas. The theme of their show is the circus, with a large circus ring full of clowns surrounded by circus caravans containing other circus performers such as acrobats, strongmen, magicians and animal trainers.

	Show Opens	Show Closes
Arndale Ctr Manchester	2nd August	27th August
Debenhams Croydon	8th November	11th January
Arnotts Dublin	15th November	4th January

All these shows will be open during the normal shopping hours of the stores concerned. Do go along and see them as with free entry they are bound to be popular with all the family.

